GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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EXPORT OF APPLES
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a)the quantity of apple exported during the last three years alongwith the gross value thereof;

(b) the countries to which export was made; and (

(c) the measures taken by the Government to boost up the export of apple?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) The quantity of apple exported and the value thereof for the last three years is as below:-

Qty. Mts

Value Rs. Lakh

1998-99		1999-00		2000-01	
Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value
7442	1002.35	5476	884.34	2847	417.29

(Source : APEDA)

(b) The major exports have been to Bangladesh, Belgium, USA, Singapore, Sri Lanka, U.K., Malaysia , etc. (Source : APEDA)

(c) Government has approved creation of an Agri Export Zone for overall development of apple industry for export in Jammu & Kashmir. For improving quality of apples in Jammu & Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh, Technical Coordinators for organizing Integrated Training Programmes have been appointed. Government has been encouraging export of fruits including apples through various schemes, such as arranging buyer-seller meets: participation in international fairs and exhibitions: setting up of integrated cargo handling and cold storage facilities at various International Airports, etc.